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SUBJECT: EMBASSY VILNIUS ON DAY OF SOLIDARITY WITH CUBAN
PEOPLE

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Post is considering two possibilities to promote the May 21 "Day of Solidarity with Cuba." The first is cooperation with and assistance to a Cuban dissident, Bertha Antunez, who plans to visit Lithuania May 7. Assistance, if needed, could include arranging for media interviews or meeting with relevant NGOs or GOL officials. The second possibility is to work with a local NGO to create a public program to express solidarity with the people of Cuba, including an emphasis on some of the parallel hardships faced by the people of neighboring Belarus.

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